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IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 6-12 have been canceled.

The claims have been amended as follows:

Claim 1. (Amended) [An aromatic polycarbonate resin composition comprising:

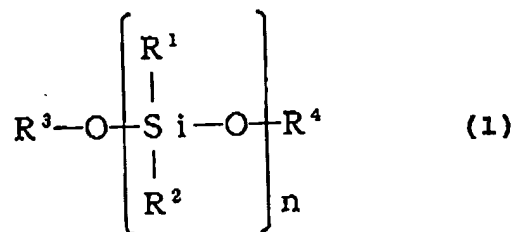
100 parts by weight of] A process for imparting flame retardancy to a resin component [(A)] selected from the group consisting of an aromatic polycarbonate and a resin mixture of an aromatic polycarbonate and at least one organic polymer resin other than an aromatic polycarbonate, wherein said resin mixture has an aromatic polycarbonate content of 50 % by weight or more, [and]

[0.1 to 100 parts by weight of at least one aromatic group-containing silicone compound (B),]

said process comprising adding to said resin component a flame retardant comprising at least one aromatic group-containing silicone compound, wherein said flame retardant is added in an amount of 0.1 to 100 parts by weight, relative to 100 parts by weight of said resin component,

said at least one aromatic group-containing silicone compound [(B)] comprising a monomer, a polymer or a mixture thereof, which is represented by [at least one formula selected

from the group consisting of] the following formula[e] (1) [and (2)]:



wherein:

each of R^1 and R^2 independently represents a hydrogen atom or a monovalent $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_{20}$ hydrocarbon group;

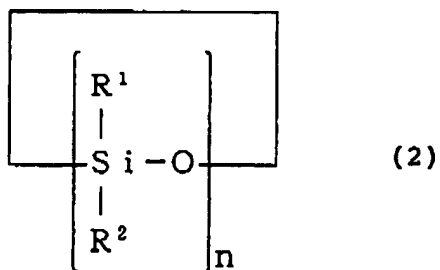
each of R^3 and R^4 independently represents a hydrogen atom; a monovalent $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_{20}$ hydrocarbon group; a metal-containing monovalent group comprising a metal atom having bonded thereto at least one member selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom and monovalent $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_{20}$ hydrocarbon groups; [or a divalent $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_{20}$ hydrocarbon group, wherein, when each of R^3 and R^4 independently represents a divalent $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_{20}$ hydrocarbon group, R^3 and R^4 are bonded to each other to form a ring;]

at least one of R^1 , R^2 , R^3 and R^4 is a $\text{C}_6\text{-C}_{20}$ aromatic group having a valence according to the

definition of R¹, R², R³ or R⁴; and

n is 1 or more in terms of the number average n value,

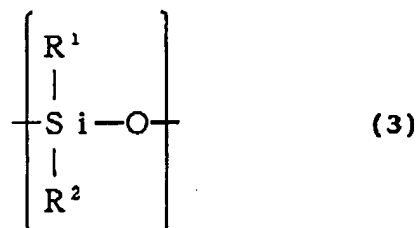
[and



wherein each of R¹, R² and n is as defined for formula

(1),]

wherein, when said [component (B)] flame retardant is a polymer represented by formula (1) [or (2)] wherein n is 2 or more in terms of the number average n value, the recurring units, each represented by the following formula (3):



wherein each of R¹ and R² is as defined for formula

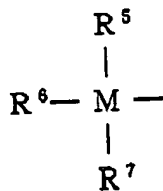
(1),

are the same or different, so that said [polymer (B)] flame retardant is a homopolymer or a copolymer, wherein said copolymer has a random, a block or an alternating configuration, and

[wherein, when each of R¹ and R² of formula (2) is a hydrogen atom or an aliphatic hydrocarbon group, at least a part of said component (B) is a compound represented by formula (1), and]

wherein said [component (B)] flame retardant contains said aromatic group in an amount of 5 to 100 mole %, based on the total molar amount of R¹, R², R³ and R⁴.

Claim 2. (Amended) The [polycarbonate resin composition] process according to claim 1, wherein said metal-containing monovalent group as at least one of R³ and R⁴ is represented by the formula:



wherein M represents a tetravalent metal atom, and each of R⁵, R⁶ and R⁷ independently represents a hydrogen atom or a monovalent C₁-C₂₀ hydrocarbon group.

Claim 3. (Amended) The [polycarbonate resin composition] process according to claim 2, wherein M represents a silicon atom.

Claim 4. (Amended) The [polycarbonate resin composition] process according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein said [component (B)] flame retardant exhibits a kinematic viscosity of 100 centistokes or more as measured at 25 °C in accordance with JIS-K2410.

Claim 5. (Amended) The [polycarbonate resin composition] process according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein said [component (B)] flame retardant comprises a mixture of:

a silicone compound containing said aromatic group in an amount of from 5 to less than 50 mole %, based on the total molar amount of R¹, R², R³ and R⁴, and

a silicone compound containing said aromatic group in an amount of 50 mole % or more, based on the total molar amount of R¹, R², R³ and R⁴.

Claim 13. (Amended) The [polycarbonate resin composition] process according to claim 1, wherein said resin component [(A)]

is a resin mixture of an aromatic polycarbonate and at least one organic polymer resin selected from the group consisting of aromatic vinyl polymers, olefin polymers, polyesters, polyamides, polyphenylene ethers and epoxy polymers.